

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**MEDICAL OFFICER**  
**OF HEALTH**

*by*



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*for the*

*WARWICKSHIRE :—*

**Borough of Stratford-upon-Avon**  
**Rural District of Stratford-on-Avon**  
**Rural District of Alcester**  
**Rural District of Shipston-on-Stour**

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**FOR THE YEAR 1957**





*With the Compliments of the  
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and School Medical Officer.*

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ARDEN STREET,  
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To:

*The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors, Borough of Stratford-upon-Avon.*

*The Chairman and Councillors, Rural District of Stratford-on-Avon.*

*The Chairman and Councillors, Rural District of Alcester.*

*The Chairman and Councillors, Rural District of Shipston-on-Stour.*

During the whole of the year 1957 our basic Public Health work has continued. Larger schemes to produce additional amenities in the four Districts has been bedevilled by financial difficulties. Two big Comprehensive Water Schemes in Stratford-on-Avon Rural District and Shipston-on-Stour Rural District have been completed, but schemes for sewage disposal and sewerage, which should go hand in hand with water supply, are held back because of the credit squeeze. In spite of this, schemes are being put down on paper so that, when the financial situation improves, there shall be the least possible delay in starting work.

Some of the Councils have felt that this is an inappropriate time to continue with new Council house building on a large scale. In consequence, careful thought has had to be given before any further schemes for Slum Clearance have been undertaken. Applicants for Council houses continue to put down their names on



the Housing Lists and there is considerable reluctance on the part of Councillors—a reluctance which is understandable—to pull down houses which provide most inadequate accommodation. The subsidy provided by the Government for new houses built to replace houses closed or demolished under Slum Clearance Schemes and the smaller subsidy for single bedroomed old people's bungalows have not been sufficient inducement to encourage Councils to build new houses. Rents are inevitably high because of high interest rates on borrowed money. I still believe that there are many applicants on Council Housing Lists who would be willing to pay these high rents and there is a lot to be said for further consideration to be given to some form of rent rebate scheme such as is being practised by two of the Councils in the area. It is to be hoped that in 1958 these financial deterrents to public health progress will be eased.

I am glad that Councils are beginning to consider the need for modernising old type Council houses. It is unfair that Councils should expect private owners to do this work to their property when the Council's own houses are not up to the standard aimed at. A particular point for congratulation is the progress made by Shipston-on-Stour Rural District Council in this type of work. Already 118 of the 207 old type Council houses have flush water closets, bathrooms and are up to a full modern standard.

## POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

The first children to receive poliomyelitis vaccination were vaccinated in May, 1956. From that time until the end of 1957 progress has been halting because of small supplies of vaccine. The number of children registered for vaccination continues to grow. By the end of 1957 2,575 children had been vaccinated with two injections and there were 4,719 children registered but unvaccinated because there was no vaccine for them. The response by parents to the vaccination offer has been very good in this area and with a scattered population it has not been easy from a geographical point of view to arrange an orderly programme of vaccination. An attempt has, however, been made to spread over the area as fairly as possible such supplies of vaccine as have been allocated. Little mention by the Ministry has been made of the effect of this important vaccination campaign on the normal routine work of the Health Department, particularly where County Council functions are concerned. Medical time has so been taken up with this priority vaccination that school medical inspections have inevitably fallen behind and B.C.G. vaccination of school leavers has been pushed into the background. This is unavoidable,

but most undesirable, and it is a pity that, before the poliomyelitis vaccination campaign was started, greater supplies of vaccine were not available right from the beginning so that the work of vaccination did not have to be spread over such a long period. This preamble to the report is being written in August 1958, and we have only now almost finished the primary vaccination of those children who have been registered. All these children could have been vaccinated by the end of 1957 if vaccine had been available. The completion of the first stage of vaccination will not mean that other necessary preventative medical work can now be resumed since third injections will have to be offered to those children who have already been vaccinated and the age group of people to be vaccinated is to be widened. General medical practitioners in this area have been most co-operative in this campaign, but it seems to me that everything should be done to complete this project so that we come to the stage when poliomyelitis vaccination can be offered as a routine like diphtheria immunisation to small children and other work undertaken by the Health Department can be fully coped with.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY UNIT

The Mass Radiography Unit visited Stratford-on-Avon, Studley and Alcester during the year. The number of people examined in these places was as follows:

ALCESTER	Organised Groups, and Public	701
STUDLEY	Organised Groups, and Public	928
STRATFORD-ON-AVON	Organised Groups—	
	Stratford Memorial Theatre ...	155
	General Public...      ...      ...	708

It was reassuring to learn that only one person was found to have tuberculosis which needed treatment.

THE ELDERLY FRAIL

For many years there has been discussion about the best way of helping old people who are unable to care for themselves at home even with the various forms of official help that can be given them, but who do not need full hospital care and yet are too frail to be able to manage in the ordinary old people's home provided by the Welfare Authority. There are three services concerned:

- 1. The Health Service provided by Local Health Authorities.
- 2. County Welfare Authorities.
- 3. The Hospital Authority.



Once an old person cannot be looked after adequately at home with assistance from the Local Health Authority, accommodation must be found for him—either in hospital or in County Welfare accommodation. The frail old person has always tended to be nobody's "baby" since it has been said that he does not need hospital care and yet the Part III Accommodation provided by the Welfare Authority was not designed to care for him. Neither of these two Authorities, except where the Health Department and the Welfare Department has been under the same administration, has shown any willingness to get together to solve this problem. In October, 1957, the Ministry of Health published two circulars, one about the Local Health Authority Services for the sick and infirm and the other about the Geriatric Services and the care of the chronic sick in hospitals. In these two pamphlets it has been definitely laid down the types of old persons who are the responsibility of each of the two Services to look after. It would be too long-winded to put down these definitions but, in general, the circulars intend that any old person for whom family, neighbourly, and official care was adequate could manage in their own homes, but who, because that care is not available, must go into some form of accommodation, is the responsibility of the Welfare Authority. Having once been admitted to a Part III bed, it should be possible to care for him through normal spells of ill-health which he would suffer from at home and also in the same way that nothing extraordinary is thought about people dying in their own homes so nothing extraordinary should be thought about old people dying in Part III accommodation. This ruling, however, does mean that there must be considerable modification of a number of old people's homes which, architecturally speaking, hark back many years and are not the types of homes able to look after people who are no longer nimble on their feet. There still remains a great need for more up-to-date ground floor accommodation for these frail elderly people and thought must be given to modification of staffing of these homes.

Following the publishing of these two circulars I hope that the various Authorities concerned will meet together and forget that in the old days there were spheres of influence and spheres of authority and remember that this problem of the frail elderly is a universal one which can only be solved by all services pooling their efforts and working to solve the problem rather than to avoid the issue. In Stratford-on-Avon, where the hospital, old people's home and office of the Local Health Authority are all within a stone's throw of one another, and where there is spare land on which buildings can be erected, there is a glorious opportunity to demon-



strate how this problem can be solved. It may mean that the high standards of accommodation at the moment laid down by the Ministry for the care of these people will have to be somewhat relaxed, but it is not unusual to find that old people are quite unable to settle down in the modern type of old people's home which is being built nowadays. This problem could be solved locally, but I fear that in some quarters the will to do it is absent.

#### STAFF

Once again I give my thanks to my office staff or their good work during the year. I am grateful also to the Public Health Inspectors, Surveyors and other Council Officials for their help and kindness.

J. B. BRAMWELL,  
Medical Officer of Health.



# THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

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## PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

*Chief Public Health Inspector*

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Certificate of Meat and Foods

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Certificate of Meat and Foods

*Engineer*

P. C. SMART, M.I.C.E., M.I.MUN.E.

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Area of the Borough (acres)	...	...	...	...	6,899
Population Census	...	...	...	...	15,110
Rateable Value at 1st April, 1958	...	...	...	...	£278,603
Product of Penny Rate at 1st April, 1958	...	...	...	...	£1068

## VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION ... .. 15,110

### LIVE BIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	128	103	231
Illegitimate...	8	3	11
Crude birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 16.0.			
Corrected birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 15.6 (16.1)*			

### STILLBIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	3	4
Illegitimate...	—	1	1
Rate per 1,000 related live and stillbirths 20.2 (22.4)*			

### DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
	100	69	169
Crude death rate per 1,000 estimated population 11.2.			
Corrected death rate per 1,000 estimated population 10.4 (11.5)*			

### DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES

Puerperal sepsis ... ..	Nil
Other puerperal causes ... ..	Nil

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	1	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—
Death rate per 1,000 related births 8.4 (23.0)*			

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	1	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—

\* Corresponding rates for England and Wales.



## HOUSING

Total number of dwellings in the district at 31st December, 1957	...	5,099
Number of houses built under Housing Acts	... ..	1,052
Number of council houses built since the war	... ..	624
Number of houses in private ownership built since the war	... ..	460
Number of new houses built during 1957		
(a) By the local authority	... ..	57
(b) By private ownership	... ..	96
Number of council houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		Nil
Number of flats in course of erection at 31st December, 1957	...	Nil
Number of private houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		57
Number of occupied dwellings on ex-War Department Sites	...	Nil
Number of applicants for council houses at 31st December, 1957	...	400

### 1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR

(i) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts	...	98
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	174
(ii) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	... ..	30
(iii) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	... ..	32

Not all of the houses inspected after complaints necessitated any informal action, and informal notices were served in 32 cases. Greater emphasis during the year was given to houses so injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and formal action was commenced in respect of the above 30 houses.

### 2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	...	19
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### 3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	... ..	Nil
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice	... ..	Nil
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Act.		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	... ..	Nil
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	... ..	Nil

It was necessary to obtain authority for the service of statutory notices in respect of two houses, but the defects were remedied prior to the notices being served.

(c) Proceedings under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936					
(1)	Number of houses about which representations have been made	...	...	...	2
(2)	Action resulting from representations				
(a)	Number of houses demolished	...	...	...	Nil
(b)	Number of houses demolished as a result of representations in previous years	...	...	...	1
(c)	Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from the owners to repair	...	...	...	Nil
(d)	Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners not to re-let	...	...	...	Nil
(e)	Closing Orders under Section 12 Housing Act	...	...	...	Nil
(f)	Closing Orders under Section 10 (Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1953)	...	...	...	Nil
(g)	Action still pending	...	...	...	2

The official representations made were in respect of No. 31, Greenhill Street, and No. 2, Exchange Cottages, Alveston. The "Time and Place" notices were served late in the year and, consequently, the final outcome was still pending at the end of the year.

The two cottages were outside the planned clearance and demolition programme of the Council.

(d) Clearance Area Section 25 Housing Act, 1936					
(a)	Number of representations made...	...	...	...	4
(b)	Number of Clearance Areas declared	...	...	...	4
(c)	Number of houses involved	...	...	...	30
(d)	Number of Clearance Orders made	...	...	...	2
(e)	Number of Clearance Orders confirmed...	...	...	...	Nil

No clearance areas were declared in the previous year, but further impetus was given to the Council's programme for the clearance of unfit houses by the declaration of the above 4 areas involving a further 30 houses.

The 30 houses in the four areas are as follows:

1-8, Paddock Place and 3-7 Day's Court, Bull Street.

1 and 2, Bull Street.

1-10, Ely Cottages and No. 11, Ely Street.

1-4, Minshull's Court, Shakespeare Street.

The following table shows the chronological progress of the clearance area action already taken :

Name of Property	Date of C.O. Resolution	C.O. C.P.O.	Date of Order	Ministry Enquiry	Date Order Confirmed	Rehousing Completed	Demolition Completed
1-3, Nason's Court, Scholars Lane ...	24/10/55	C.O.	14/2/56	—	8/8/56	10/11/56	March 1957
1-9, Summer Row, Maidenhead Road ...	26/10/55	C.O.	14/2/56	—	15/8/56		
1-14, Shakespeare Court, Guild Street ...	24/10/55	C.O.	14/2/56	—	15/8/56	3/8/57	Commenced Oct. 1957
1-17, Victoria Terrace Shakespeare Street ...	19/8/54	C.O.	14/12/54	11/9/56	26/11/56	6/10/56	
1-8, Paddock Place, and 3-7, Day's Court, Bull St.	7/5/57	C.O.	8/10/57				
1 and 2, Bull Street...	8/10/57	C.O.	10/12/57				
1-10, Ely Cotts., and 11, Ely Street	12/12/57	C.O.					
1-4, Minshull's Court, Shakespeare Street ...	12/12/57	C.O.					



(e)	Housing Act, 1949—Improvement Grants							
(a)	Number of applications received	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
(b)	Number of applications refused	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
(c)	Number of grants made	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
(d)	Number of owner/occupied houses affected	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
(e)	Number of tenanted houses affected	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
(f)	Total amount of grants made	...	...	...	...	...	...	£5,727

There was an increase in the number of improvement grants made in comparison with 1956 and a welcome increase in the ratio between improvements to tenanted houses and owner occupied.

It is also interesting to note that in conjunction with the grants made there would be a total expenditure of approximately £1,313 on repairs and works not ranking for grant. The average grant is £249 which compares with the maximum permissible grant of £400.

The approval of one application led to the improvement of four farm workers cottages, which in addition to providing modern amenities such as a constant hot water supply and bathroom included, too, the installation of electricity—the whole scheme being welcomed by the tenants.

During the year improvement works were completed at 24 houses.

The two applications refused were for No. 77, Shipston Road, because the works had been commenced and No. 19, Windsor Street as the proposed works were not in accordance with the bye-laws.

The Rent Act, 1957, which came into force on 6th July, 1957, repealed Section 22, Housing Act, 1949, and removed the responsibility for the Council to fix rents for dwellings provided or improved with the aid of an improvement grant. The rents now are in accordance with the rent limit appropriate under the Rent Act, 1957, which, in effect, is that the rent limit of twice the gross value of a controlled tenancy would be increased by 8 per cent of the amount expended on the improvements by the landlord.

It would be gratifying if the overall effect of this provision of the Rent Act brought an increase in applications for improvements to tenanted houses.

#### HOUSING INSPECTIONS OF THE DISTRICT

Public Health Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Consolidated Regulations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Housing Act, 1936, Section 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Housing Act, 1936, Section 11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Housing Act, 1936, Section 25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
Housing Act, 1949, Section 20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	149
Rent Act, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	362



## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

### SECTION 2.—FOOD NOT OF THE NATURE, SUBSTANCE OR QUALITY DEMANDED.

During the year two official complaints were made of food purchased which was not of the nature or of the substance or quality demanded.

These were :

- (a) A granary loaf with a part of an insect inside which was discovered when slicing the loaf.
- (b) A wholemeal loaf with a cockroach embedded in the crust.

The same firm was responsible in both instances and it was decided that the necessary proceedings be taken. The firm was fined a total of £25.

#### (a) Food Premises Registered under Section 16

Storage and sale of ice-cream	...	...	...	72
Preparation of sausages	...	...	...	3
Dairies	...	...	...	1

No ice-cream was manufactured in the Borough.

- (b) Fifty-one visits have been made to premises for the purpose of inspection and dealing with unsound food. All such food surrendered and condemned is suitably treated and disposed of by burying at the Corporation controlled tip at Warwick Road.

The unsound food disposed of was as follows :

- 149 tinned meat.
- 496 tinned fruit
- 14 tinned jam
- 323 tinned vegetables
- 22 tinned milk
- 35 tinned fish
- 4 tinned animal food
- 26 bottles pastes, pickles, sauces, etc.
- 106 fowl
- 4½ lbs. bacon
- 6 lbs. cooked ham
- 300 lbs. beef
- 3 boneless cured pork shoulders
- 50 sheep casings
- 8 sheep heads and plucks—60 lbs.
- 1 case Spanish apricots
- 2 cwts. sugar
- 56 lbs. Turkish Delight
- 20 lbs. peanuts
- 1 lb. hare

- (c) All animals slaughtered at the two slaughterhouses were inspected and 494 visits were made for the purpose. All condemned meat and offal are disposed of through bona-fide contractors.

# FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955

Trade							No. of Premises	No. of informal Notices Served
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	—
Bakers	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	—
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	2
Fishmongers	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	—
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	—
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	—
Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	—
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	—
Hotels	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	5
Licensed Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	4
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	6
Snack Bars	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	6
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	—
General Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1
Guest Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	—

Routine inspections were carried out and further progress was made during the year to effect improvements required by the Regulations, and to comply with notices which had been previously served.

The following is a summary of improvements made:

Defects found							Improvements made
New sinks required	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
Hot and cold water to be provided	...	...	...	...	...	2	6
Complete new kitchen provided	...	...	...	...	...	—	1
Wash-hand basins required...	...	...	...	...	...	2	12
Clothes lockers required	...	...	...	...	...	—	4
Kitchen equipment required	...	...	...	...	...	—	1
Notices required in toilets	...	...	...	...	...	1	13
Rooms requiring cleaning and decorating	...	...	...	...	...	8	9
First-Aid materials required	...	...	...	...	...	—	4
Soap, towel and nail brush required	...	...	...	...	...	2	7
Impervious topped tables required	...	...	...	...	...	—	3
Floors requiring cleaning	...	...	...	...	...	1	—
Waste bin to be provided	...	...	...	...	...	1	—
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	21	68

# MEAT INSPECTION

## CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle Excludg. Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known) ... ..	4662	380	707	15320	9527	—
Number inspected	4662	380	707	15320	9527	—
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci: Whole carcasses con- demned ... ..	4	10	6	25	47	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1175	86	13	287	319	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with dis- ease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci ...	25.2	25.3	2.8	2.03	3.8	—
Tuberculosis only: Whole carcasses con- demned ... ..	2	2	1	—	1	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	116	10	—	—	6	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuber- culosis ... ..	2.5	3.2	.14	—	0.1	—
Cysticercosis: Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	2	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	2	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—

# DISEASE AND WEIGHT OF MEAT CONDEMNED

	Lbs.	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.
Carcinoma ... ..	166		1	1	26
Pericarditis... ..	311		2	3	3
Cirrhosis ... ..	15,031	6	14	0	23
Abscesses ... ..	1,531		13	2	19
Parasites ... ..	1,128		10	0	8
Decomposition ... ..	1,111		9	3	19
Fatty Infiltration ... ..	806		7	0	22
Pneumonia... ..	407		3	2	15
Tuberculosis ... ..	6,859	3	1	0	27
Oedema ... ..	678		6	0	6
Anaemia ... ..	58			2	2
Bruising ... ..	2,214		19	3	2
Adhesions ... ..	104			3	20
Cysts ... ..	554		4	2	20
Emaciation ... ..	524		4	2	20
Emphysema ... ..	102			3	18
Fever ... ..	1,194		10	2	18
Congestion... ..	485		4	1	9
Pyaemia ... ..	285		2	2	5
Dropsy ... ..	251		2	0	27
Septicaemia ... ..	732		6	2	4
Pleurisy ... ..	58			2	2
Angioma ... ..	400		3	2	8
Actinomycosis ... ..	334		2	3	26
Inflammation ... ..	12				12
Casualty Carcase ... ..	79			2	23
Broken Leg ... ..	388		3	1	24
Erysipelas ... ..	39			1	
Broken Bones ... ..	110			3	26
Haemorrhage ... ..	81			2	25
Calcareous Growth ... ..	8				8
Diseased Backbone ... ..	25				25
Bone Taint... ..	1,469		13	0	13
Abnormal Odour ... ..	328		2	3	20
C. Bovis ... ..	52			1	24
Metritis ... ..	558		4	3	26
Septic Injury ... ..	61			2	5
Melanosis ... ..	178		1	2	10
Jaundice ... ..	151		1	1	11
Dead on Arrival ... ..	1,445		12	3	17
Bile Infiltration ... ..	18				18
Generalised Actinobacillosis ... ..	122		1	0	10
Rheumatism ... ..	24				24
Peritonitis ... ..	804		7	0	20
Imperfect Bleeding ... ..	1,468		13	0	12
Endocarditis ... ..	9				9
Tumours ... ..	50			1	22
Superficial Wounds ... ..	16				16
Swollen Joints ... ..	23				23
<b>TOTAL ... ..</b>	<b>42,841</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>



TABLE OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED

YEAR	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	TOTAL
1939	868	26	265	3791	4712	9663
1948	1279	629	1486	7361	819	11574
1949	1154	731	1843	7208	1456	12393
1950	1501	897	1544	7086	1613	12641
1951	2864	1457	1080	11293	2877	19571
1952	3389	1553	1710	17494	6023	30169
1953	3632	1141	1121	14058	6381	26339
1954	3806	749	879	23048	9017	37499
1955	3613	255	562	14479	10368	29277
1956	4438	281	778	16473	9910	31880
1957	4662	380	707	15320	9527	30596

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

### (a) SANITARY ACCOMMODATION AND DRAINAGE

### (b) ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

(1) Informal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
(2) Formal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936—SECTIONS 23 and 24

There was a stoppage in the “combined drain” within the meaning of the above, of Nos. 36, 38 and 40, Maidenhead Road and, after informal action, a building contractor was called in and instructed to do the work necessary to remove the obstruction.

The expenses were apportioned to the respective owners.

### (c) REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Refuse is collected weekly from dwelling-houses in the Borough and twice weekly from hotels and restaurants. At holiday times during the year refuse collection from hotels and restaurants is carried out more frequently to avoid nuisance.

Refuse is disposed of by means of controlled tipping on the Unicorn Meadows and fly control measures are carried out daily during warm weather.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

### CAMPING AND CARAVAN SITES

The four licensed caravan sites in the Borough are:

- (a) The Rayford Camp, Tiddington Road, licensed for 112 caravans.
- (b) The Elms Farm Camp, Tiddington Road, licensed for 63 caravans.
- (c) The Avon Park Camp, Warwick Road, licensed for 56 caravans.
- (d) The Corporation Camp, Warwick Road, licensed for 98 caravans.

There are no individual caravans or sites licensed.

Frequent inspections were carried out and the sites found to be well conducted.

The refuse from the camps is regularly removed and disposed of on the Corporation Refuse Tip and the Corporation gully emptier is employed to empty the cesspools from the three camps not connected to the sewer.

## RODENT CONTROL

Two thousand, six hundred and seventy-four premises were surveyed during the year, two hundred and sixty-nine were found to be infested and treatment was carried out.

Additionally constant inspection and rodent control work was carried out at the Corporation controlled Refuse Tip.

One hundred and fifteen verbal complaints were received.

Poison used during the year consisted mainly of Warfarin.

## DISINFESTATION AND DISINFECTION

Twenty-one premises have been disinfested for various insect pests. Seven wasps' nest have been destroyed and a small quantity of bedding has been disinfected.

### SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE DISTRICT

Inspection of Premises P.H. Act.	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Re-inspections ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Filthy and Verminous Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Re-inspections, Calls, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	66
Visits and Interviews	...	...	...	...	...	...	170
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	494
Dairies and Milk Vendors	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Hotels and Restaurant Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	90
Butchers' Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Fish Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ice-cream Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ice-cream samples taken	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Visits re unsound food	...	...	...	...	...	...	51
Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Markets	...	...	...	...	...	...	123
Shops (Shops Act)	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Infectious Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Premises Disinfected/Disinfested	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Canal Samples	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Rodent Control	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Refuse Collection and Disposal	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Camping Grounds	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Tents, Vans and Sheds	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
Complaints investigated	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Factories P/N.P.	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Other Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
New Buildings	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Drains Tested and Inspected	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Grocers' Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Greengrocers' Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Total inspections made							1,270
Total Improvements made	...	...	...	...	...	...	84
Total premises improved	...	...	...	...	...	...	33

# FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955—SECTION 31

## TUBERCULOUS MILK INVESTIGATIONS—ROUTINE MILK SAMPLES FOR BIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION DURING 1957

Designation of Milk	Total No. of Samples	No. Positive
Pasteurised ... ..	4	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ” ... ..	4	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested ” ... ..	—	—
Non-Designated ... ..	—	—

## RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS OF TUBERCLE-INFECTED MILK SAMPLES DURING 1957

No. of	Cases found on routine sampling in the County	Cases reported by neighbouring County Authorities
1. Investigations ... ..		
2. Cows examined ... ..		
3. Milk samples for diagnostic purposes ... ..		
4. Cows slaughtered under T.B. Order ... ..		Nil Returns
5. Cows removed from herds during investigations and which may have been infected		



# FACTORIES ACT, 1937 and 1948

## PART I OF THE ACT

### 1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector).

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspection	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority ... ..	12	6	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ... ..	139	17	2	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL ... ..	151	23	2	Nil

### 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Remarks	Number of cases in which defects were found				
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Overcrowding (S.2) ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Inadequate drainage of floors ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Sanitary Conveniences :					
(a) Insufficient ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) Unsuitable ... ..	4	2	Nil	Nil	2
(c) Not separate for the sexes ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other offences against the Act ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL ... ..	4	2	Nil	Nil	2

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

There were extensions to the main sewers of the town during the year in connection with the development of private residential estates where the rate of new house building was about the average for recent years. Some extensions were made during the year on Corporation Estates, but there has been a reduction in the rate of house building. At the Sewage Disposal Works every effort has again been made to get the maximum efficiency from the seriously overloaded pumping machinery and sewage treatment plant. It is hoped that there will be encouragement to go ahead with a scheme of extensions and reconstruction directly finances allow.

## WATER SUPPLIES

During 1957 no difficulties were experienced with water supplies. The year was marked by a rather rainy summer which had a noticeable effect on the peak demands for water. These peaks were lower than would have been expected in periods of dry weather in July and August. A greater degree of control at pumping stations and improved water pressures were apparent as a result of the increased reservoir capacity at Blue Cap and by reason of the new trunk mains.

Re-grouping of Water Undertakings and the implications of Ministry of Housing and Local Government Circular 52/56 were matters of considerable moment to the Waterworks Committee. It is the declared intention of the Minister to urge Local Water Authorities to consider carefully this matter of amalgamation. In the case of South Warwickshire Authorities the recommendation of the Ministry is the formation of a Water Board to include the Borough and Rural areas of Leamington, Warwick, Stratford-upon-Avon, Alcester and Shipston-on-Stour. Meetings of all the Water Authorities were held during the year to discuss the matter. There is a strong case in the Ministry Inspector's report for one authority, not only for the control and development of existing sources of water supply, and for the efficient movement of water from one part of the area to another, but also for an ultimate spreading of the unequal financial burdens evident as a result of costly capital schemes.

**RURAL DISTRICT**  
**of**  
**STRATFORD-ON-AVON**

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Area of District (acres)	...	...	...	...	...	81,996
Population (estimated)	...	...	...	...	...	23,090
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	£234,026
Product of Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	...	£870

## VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION ... .. 23,090

### LIVE BIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	212	181	393
Illegitimate...	13	13	26

Crude birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 18.1.

Corrected birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 19.5 (16.1)\*

### STILLBIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	3	4
Illegitimate...	—	1	1

Rate per 1,000 related live and still births 11.8 (22.4)\*

### DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
	106	91	197

Crude death rate per 1,000 estimated population 8.5

Corrected death rate per 1,000 estimated population 9.0 (11.5)\*

### DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES

Puerperal sepsis ... ..	Nil
Other Puerperal causes ... ..	Nil

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	4	4	8
Illegitimate ... ..	—	1	1

Death rate per 1,000 related births 21.4 (23.0)\*

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	4	3	7
Illegitimate...	—	1	1

\*Corresponding rates for England and Wales.



## HOUSING

Total number of dwellings in the district at 31st December, 1957	...	6,321
Number of houses built under Housing Act	... ..	1,252
Number of Council houses built since the war	... ..	788
Number of houses in private ownership built since the war	... ..	467
Number of new houses built during 1957		
(a) By the Local Authority	... ..	51
(b) By private ownership	... ..	96
Number of Council houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		28
Number of Council bungalows in course of erection at 31st December, 1957	... ..	8
Number of flats in course of erection at 31st December, 1957	...	12
Number of private houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		90
Number of occupied dwellings on ex-War Department sites	... ..	71
Number of applicants for Council houses	... ..	637

### 1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR

1	(a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts	... ..	422
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	... ..	691
2	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	... ..	52
3	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	... ..	13

### 2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	... ..	42
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### 3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	... ..	Nil
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice	... ..	Nil
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Act		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	... ..	40
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	... ..	4
(c) Proceedings under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936		
(1) Number of houses about which representations have been made	... ..	35



(2) Action resulting from representations					
(a) Number of houses demolished	...	...	...		3
(b) Number of houses demolished as a result of representations in previous years	...	...	...	...	1
(c) Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners to repair	...	...			12
(d) Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners not to re-let	...	...			17
(e) Closing Orders under Section 12 Housing Act	...				Nil
(f) Closing Orders under Section 10 (Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1953)	...	...			10
(g) Action still pending	...	...	...	...	Nil
(d) Clearance Areas Section 25 Housing Act, 1936					
(a) Number of representations made	...	...	...		Nil
(b) Number of Clearance Areas declared	...	...			Nil
(c) Number of houses involved	...	...	...	...	Nil
(d) Number of Clearance Orders made	...	...	...		Nil
(e) Number of Clearance Orders confirmed	...	...			Nil
(e) Improvement Grants—Housing Act, 1949					
(a) Number of grants made	...	...	...	...	18
(b) Number of dwellings affected	...	...	...		18
(c) Total amount of grants made...	...	...	...	...	£3,040

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

1. DRAINAGE AND SANITARY ACCOMMODATION	
Conversion of pail closets to water closets	...
2. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES	
Disinfection of premises	...
Disinfestation of premises (mainly fleas)	...

### 3. REFUSE AND NIGHT SOIL COLLECTION

The regular collection of refuse from all reasonably situated houses has been maintained during the year. Weekly collections have been made in Henley-in-Arden, Wootton Wawen, Tanworth-in-Arden, Wellesbourne, Kington, and fortnightly collections in Snitterfield and Welford-on-Avon. Monthly refuse collection has been made regularly from the houses in the rest of the district.

Nightsoil collection still forms a major part of the refuse collection service and there are still well over 700 houses from which nightsoil is removed weekly. The free cesspool emptying service in the large parish of Tanworth-in-Arden has been satisfactorily maintained throughout the year in spite of certain difficulties not the least among which is the distance of the area

from the Council's Depot in Stratford-on-Avon. The following represents the output of the Council's scavenging service during a typical mid-year four-week period:

Number of bins emptied	...	...	...	35,520
Number of loads recorded	...	...	...	128
Estimated tonnage	...	...	...	830 tons
Number of cesspool loads (free service Tanworth-in-Arden)	...	...	...	401
Other cesspools emptied	...	...	...	97
Number of pails emptied	...	...	...	3,869

#### 4. CAMPING AND CARAVAN SITES

The number of licensed caravan sites remains as for 1956, i.e.,

Hillcrest, Portway...	...	...	...	84
Wootton Hall, Wootton Wawen	...	...	25 vans per acre on 4½ acres of land	
Dodwell, Luddington	...	...	...	50
The Mill, Welford-on-Avon	...	...	...	12
Longcast, Welford-on-Avon	...	...	...	12

The Council are still opposed to the stationing and use of caravans individually.

The management and standard of services provided on the licensed sites have been satisfactory.

### FOOD, GENERAL

#### ICE-CREAM

There are two establishments manufacturing ice-cream, one by the cold mix and one by the heat treatment method. The ice-cream stored and sold from the remaining 55 registered premises is manufactured by well-known firms, being being mainly pre-wrapped.

#### FOOD PREMISES GENERALLY

Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	5
Grocers and General Stores	...	...	...	...	59
Public Houses and Hotels	...	...	...	...	52
Cafés	...	...	...	...	21
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	7
Butchers	...	...	...	...	14
Chemists	...	...	...	...	2
Wet Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	3
Fruit Juice Pasteurisers	...	...	...	...	1
Confectioners	...	...	...	...	10
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	6
Clubs	...	...	...	...	7
Mobile Vans	...	...	...	...	4

One hundred and sixty-two visits have been paid to premises where food is handled, prepared or sold.

## UNSOUND FOOD

Thirteen visits have been made for the examination of unsound food stuffs in small quantities, the unsound goods being surrendered to the Public Health Inspector.

### Food condemned :

Canned goods	...	...	...	...	...	171
Bacon	...	...	...	...	...	21 lbs.
Cheese	...	...	...	...	...	51 lbs.
Chickens	...	...	...	...	...	33

## DISPOSAL

Canned goods	...	...	...	...	...	Refuse tip
Meat	...	...	...	...	...	To Hide and Skin Merchants for processing

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	487
Water sampling	...	...	...	...	...	127
Complaints and re-visits	...	...	...	...	...	437
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	8
Disinfection	...	...	...	...	...	5
Housing inspections	...	...	...	...	...	331
Factories	...	...	...	...	...	34
Food premises	...	...	...	...	...	162
Verminous premises	...	...	...	...	...	50
Drainage	...	...	...	...	...	155
Infectious disease	...	...	...	...	...	5

## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT

### MILK

There are, as last year, two pasteurising establishments within the district licensed by the County Council. The bulk of the milk delivered to consumers in the district is either pasteurised or T.T. milk from these premises and also purchased from pasteurising establishments in Stratford-upon-Avon Borough, Birmingham and Solihull. A small number of dairy farmers have continued to retail some of the milk produced on their own farms. The following table indicates the distribution of milk supplies throughout the district :

Number of dealers distributing designated milks, including the pasteurisers	...	...	...	...	...	18
Number of registered dairies, excluding pasteurisation premises	...	...	...	...	...	52
Number of dairy farmers retailing milk	...	...				3
Number of outside district dealers granted supplementary licences for designated milk distribution	...	...				6

# FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955—SECTION 31

## TUBERCULOUS MILK INVESTIGATIONS—ROUTINE MILK SAMPLES FOR BIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION DURING 1957

Designation of Milk	Total No. of samples	No. positive
Pasteurised... ..	6	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ” .. ..	3	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested ” .. ..	8	1
Non-designated .. ..	66	2

## RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS OF TUBERCLE-INFECTED MILK SAMPLES DURING 1957

No. of	Cases found on routine sampling in the County	Cases reported by neighbouring County Authorities
1. Investigations .. ..	3	1
2. Cows examined .. ..	47	29
3. Milk samples for diagnostic purposes .. ..	17	9
4. Cows slaughtered under T.B. Order .. ..	2	1
5. Cows removed from herds during investigations and which may have been infected .. ..	—	—



# MEAT INSPECTION

## CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excl'dg. Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known ... ..	382	Nil	93	2176	598	—
Number inspected	382	Nil	93	2176	598	—
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci: Whole carcasses condemned ...	1	—	2	4	3	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	82	—	—	9	23	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with dis- ease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci ...	21.73	—	2.15	.60	4.35	—
Tuberculosis only: Whole carcasses condemned ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	34	—	—	—	3	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis ...	8.9	—	—	—	.50	—
Cysticercosis: Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—

## DISEASE AND WEIGHT OF MEAT CONDEMNED

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										Lbs.
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,074
Septic Pericarditis			...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Fascioliasis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	505
Moribund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200
Abscesses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	375
Pericarditis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Pleurisy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
Pregnancy Toxaemia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Dropsy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	406
Actinobacillosis...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Bruising	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80
Parasitic Infestation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Milkspot Necrosis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
			TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,750

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

TYPE OF PROPERTY

	Author- ities	Dwelling houses (inclgd. Council Houses)	Agri- cultural	All other (inclgd. business premises)	Total
1. Total number of proper- ties in Local Authority's district ... ..	15	5927	376	1064	7382
2. Number of properties in- spected by the Local Authority during the 12 months ended 31st March 1957, as a result of:					
(a) Notification ... ..	—	12	11	15	38
(b) Survey under the Pre- vention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 ...	15	2475	362	241	3093
(c) Otherwise, e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose	—	8	—	4	12
3. Number of properties in- spected (see 2) which were found to have					
(a) a major ... ..	11	—	—	1	12
(b) a minor infestation of rats ... ..	13	45	40	15	113
4. Number of properties in- spected (see 2) which were found to be seriously in- fested by mice ... ..	—	4	—	—	4
5. Number of infested pro- perties (see 3 and 4) treated by the Local Authority ... ..	15	96	3	19	133
6. Number of Notices served under Section 4 of the Act:					
(i) Treatment informal	—	4	—	—	4
(ii) Structural Works (i.e. Proofing) ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
7. Number of cases in which default action was taken by the Local Authority following the issue of a notice under Section 4 of the Act ... ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
8. Legal Proceedings ...	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
9. Number of " block " con- trol schemes carried out	—	—	—	—	4

# FACTORIES ACT, 1937 AND 1948

## PART I OF THE ACT

### 1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspection	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities ...	17	4	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ...	119	34	2	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL ...	136	38	2	Nil

### 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	2	2	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient ...	6	—	—	6	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	1	1	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ...	7	1	—	6	—



## WATER SUPPLIES

**COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME FOR THE SOUTHERN AREA:** This scheme has now been completed and a large number of new connections have been made where previously there was no piped water near the house.

**WELFORD-ON-AVON AND WESTON-ON-AVON:** Consulting Engineers have completed their plans for this most necessary scheme and they have been approved by the Ministry. Financial difficulties, unfortunately, have led to temporary deferment of the matter.

**COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME FOR THE NORTHERN AREA:** The first stage of this scheme with the completion of a single bore-hole and pump at Heath End was finished last year. A link has been made from this bore-hole to supplement the Birmingham supply to the Henley-in-Arden and Wootton Wawen districts. Demand for water in the northern part of the Rural District continues to increase and some concern has been felt that only one bore-hole and pump was in action. It is hoped that the Consulting Engineers will complete their plans for bringing into use a second bore-hole in advance of the full implementation of the Comprehensive Northern Scheme.

**ETTINGTON PARK:** Ettington Park Camp has up to now been supplied with water from the River Stour. A filtering and chlorination apparatus was taken over from the War Department when the Camp was no longer used for prisoners-of-war. While the water supply has always been satisfactory in quality the preservation of this quality has caused some difficulties at times. The Council has decided, therefore, to bring a main supply of water to Ettington Park. By doing this, my responsibility for ensuring the quality will be less onerous.

**SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR RURAL DISTRICT:** Bulk supplies to certain Parishes in the Shipston-on-Stour Rural District are now provided by this Council.

**RE-GROUPING OF WATER UNDERTAKINGS:** Consultations have taken place between this Rural District Council and other District Councils in the neighbourhood following the Government's request concerning the re-grouping of water undertakings. These consultations continue.

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

**SNITTERFIELD:** The Council's Surveyor has prepared a scheme to re-build the Sewage Disposal Works for this village. There will also be a certain amount of sewer extension in the village. A local inquiry has been held and Ministry approval has been given.

**PRESTON-ON-STOUR:** Now that the Atherstone Camp is no longer inhabited it was thought to be wasteful not to continue to make use of the Sewage Disposal Works which were put in by the War Department. The Council's Surveyor has prepared a scheme for the sewerage of the village: Preston-on-Stour sewerage to be taken to the Atherstone Disposal Works which can most adequately deal with the load. A local inquiry has yet to be held, but it is not thought that the Ministry will make any objection.

**TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN:** The provision of a Comprehensive Sewage Scheme and Sewage Treatment in this Parish becomes more and more urgent. Consulting Engineers have now completed their preliminary plans. Continuing complaints of nuisance come from this part of the Rural District.

**ADMINGTON:** The Council's Surveyor has prepared a small Sewerage and Treatment Scheme for this village where there has been considerable contamination of small water courses. It is hoped that this Scheme will be finished during 1958.

WELFORD-ON-AVON AND BINTON: Since a main supply of water will, everybody hopes, soon be available at Welford-on-Avon consideration must urgently be given to sewerage and sewage disposal. The Council's Consulting Engineers have been asked to prepare a scheme.

LUDDINGTON: For many years there has been much nuisance caused by drainage causing offence in this part of the Parish of Old Stratford and Drayton. Many applications have been received for Private Enterprise Housing Development. The provision of main sewage is, therefore, essential and preliminary discussions have been held with the Stratford-upon-Avon Borough Council to deal with the matter jointly by pumping sewage in the Borough Council's sewers. A joint scheme such as this would be of great benefit to both Councils and it is hoped that progress will be made during 1958.



# THE RURAL DISTRICT of ALCESTER

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## PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

*Public Health Inspector*

G. V. BLACKBROUGH, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., M.R.I.P.H.H.

*Surveyor*

J. C. WILLIAMS, A.I.A.S., A.M.I.S.E., M.R.S.H.

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Area of District (acres)	...	...	...	...	...	37,524
Population (estimated)	...	...	...	...	...	13,630
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	£133,826
Product of Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	...	£518



## VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION ... .. 13,630

### LIVE BIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	123	96	219
Illegitimate...	4	6	10
Crude birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 16.8.			
Corrected birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 16.6 (16.1)*			

### STILLBIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	—	1
Illegitimate...	—	—	Nil
Rate per 1,000 related live and still births 4.3 (22.4)*			

### DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
	87	63	150
Crude death rate per 1,000 estimated population 11.0.			
Corrected death rate per 1,000 estimated population 10.3 (11.5)*			

### DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES

Puerperal sepsis ... ..	Nil
Other Puerperal causes ... ..	Nil

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	2	1	3
Illegitimate...	—	—	—
Death rate per 1,000 related births 13.1 (23.0)*			

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	2	—	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—

\* Corresponding rates for England and Wales.

## HOUSING

Total number of dwellings in the District at 31st December, 1957	...	...	...	...	5,175
Number of houses built under Housing Act	...	...	...	...	990
Number of Council houses built since the war	...	...	...	...	646
Number of houses in private ownership built since the war	...	...	...	...	261
Number of new houses built during 1957					
(a) By the Local Authority	...	...	...	...	56
(b) By private ownership	...	...	...	...	48
Number of Council houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957					56
Number of Council flats in course of erection at 31st December, 1957					Nil
Number of private houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957					70
Number of occupied dwellings on ex-War Department sites	...	...	...	...	7
Number of applicants for Council houses	...	...	...	...	371
Number of families to be re-housed from slum clearance property who have not applied for Council houses	...	...	...	...	35

### 1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR

1	(a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts	...	...	...	259
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	...	...	688
2	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	...	...	...	43
3	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	...	...	...	Nil

### 2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	...	...	...	...	34
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### 3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR

#### (a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	...	...	...	...	1
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice	...	...	...	...	1

#### (b) Proceedings under Public Health Act

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	...	...	...	...	5
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	...	...	...	...	5

#### (c) Proceedings under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936

(1) Number of houses about which representations have been made	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
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(2) Action resulting from representations

(a) Number of houses demolished	...	...	...	6
(b) Number of houses demolished as a result of representations in previous years	...	...	...	Nil
(c) Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners to repair	...	...	...	1
(d) Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners not to re-let	...	...	...	Nil
(e) Closing Orders under Section 12 Housing Act	...	...	...	Nil
(f) Closing Orders under Section 10 (Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1953)	...	...	...	Nil
(g) Action still pending	...	...	...	Nil

(d) Clearance Areas Section 25 Housing Act, 1936

(a) Number of representations made	...	...	...	7
(b) Number of Clearance Areas declared	...	...	...	7
(c) Number of houses involved	...	...	...	30
(d) Number of Clearance Orders made	...	...	...	7
(e) Number of Clearance Orders confirmed	...	...	...	5
(f) Number of houses demolished	...	...	...	8

(e) Improvements Grants—Housing Act, 1949

(a) Number of applications received (1) owner occupied	...	...	...	3
(2) tenanted	...	...	...	5
(b) Number of grants made	...	...	...	8
(c) Number of dwellings affected	...	...	...	8
(d) Total amount of grants made	...	...	...	£1,319

RENT ACT, 1957

Number of applications for certificates	...	...	...	...	45
Number of decisions not to issue certificates	...	...	...	...	1
Number of decisions to issue certificates	...	...	...	...	36
Number of undertakings given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	...	...	...	...	18
Number of undertakings refused by Local Authorities under proviso to paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of certificates issued	...	...	...	...	11
Applications by landlords to Local Authority for cancellation certificates	...	...	...	...	Nil

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

Food premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	101
Milk and Dairies Regulations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Licensed premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Smoke observations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Housing investigations for re-housing purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Provision of dustbins	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Sanitary accommodation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Drainage matters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	230
Water supplies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	69
Dirty premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Verminous premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Factories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	48
Tips	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	142
Ditches	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Caravans or sites	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Temporary structures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	114

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

### (a) Refuse Collection and Disposal

The collection of house refuse during the year has not been satisfactory and on several occasions the period between collections has been three weeks. An additional vehicle and staff for same is required and, although this has been refused this year, it is imperative that this be included in the next year's estimates.

The composting of refuse and sludge continued to be a topic of interest and the inspection of the mechanical plant in Jersey in 1956 was followed by a delegation to the plant in Edinburgh in early 1957. The Council, fully compost minded, decided to meet representatives of the Minister of Housing and Local Government with regard to the possibility of permission being granted for the erection of a fully mechanised composting plant. As a neighbouring authority had recently been given permission to have an experimental plant and, having regard to the sales, lack of certain information and other factors, the application was not successful.

During the year £250 has been received from the sale of scrap tins collected at the refuse tip. As only a small proportion of tins are collected, this item could be increased, but, without mechanisation, the increased labour is not economic.

The estimated actual cost of refuse collection and disposal service for 1957-58 is £8,063.

### (b) Camping and Caravan Sites

Nine site licences and seven licences authorising the stationing of moveable dwellings are in operation under the provisions of Section 269 Public Health Act, 1936. Four sites used for sporadic camping are not licensed under this Act as the moveable dwellings are not occupied the requisite period.

During the year 35 visits have been made in connection with moveable dwellings.



## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT

### (a) GENERAL

Dairies (not being dairy farms)	...	...	...	...	...	11
Distributors of milk (not dairy farmers)	...	...	...	...	...	14
Butchers' shops in the district	...	...	...	...	...	13
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	6
Licensed premises (including clubs)	...	...	...	...	...	59
Fish and chip shops	...	...	...	...	...	6
Grocers' shops	...	...	...	...	...	60

### (b) PREMISES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 14

Ice-cream	...	...	...	...	...	59
Preparation of sausages, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	11

### (c) Number of inspections of food premises

...	...	...	...	101
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## FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955—1956

Visits are made to food premises in order to secure compliance with the Regulations. Co-operation is usually obtained from the management. Many structural improvements have been made to some food preæises during the year and at the present time work is proceeding in four cases.

### UN SOUND FOOD

The following foods have been voluntarily surrendered to prevent them being used for human consumption :

Tins of meat and ham	...	...	...	...	33
Tins of fruit and vegetables	...	...	...	...	113
Tins of milk	...	...	...	...	19
Bottles of orange squash	...	...	...	...	2
Lbs. of biscuits	...	...	...	...	6
Packets of sponge mixtures	...	...	...	...	46
Tins of fish	...	...	...	...	3
Tins of soup	...	...	...	...	4
Lbs. of cheese	...	...	...	...	1½
Lbs. of meat	...	...	...	...	25

### ICE-CREAM PREMISES

The only type of ice-cream made in the district is a complete cold mix. The majority of shops sell ice-cream which is pre-packed.

## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955—SECTION 31

### TUBERCULOUS MILK INVESTIGATIONS—ROUTINE MILK SAMPLES FOR BIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION DURING 1957.

Designation of Milk	Total No. of samples	No. Positive
Pasteurised...	3	—
“ Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ”	3	—
“ Tuberculin Tested ”	2	—
Non-Designated	33	2



## RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS OF TUBERCLE-INFECTED MILK SAMPLES DURING 1957.

Number of				Cases found on routine sampling in the County	Cases reported by neighbouring County Authorities
1.	Investigations	...	...	2	—
2.	Cows examined	...	...	21	—
3.	Milk samples for diagnostic purposes	...	...	9	—
4.	Cows slaughtered under T.B. order			2	—
5.	Cows removed from herds during investigations and which may have been infected	...	...	—	—

## RODENT CONTROL

One Rodent Operative is engaged full-time for the purpose of inspecting premises and carrying out treatments to eradicate rodents.

Regular visits are made to the Council's undertaking and 2,110 inspections and re-inspections have been made to dwelling-houses. Fifty-six Agricultural visits have been made.

The estimated actual cost of the Council's proportion of this service for 1957-8 is £368. No charge is made for the treatment of domestic premises, but, in the case of business premises, the full cost is re-claimed.

## WATER SAMPLING

Well water supplies (bacteriological)	...	...	...	19
(a) Satisfactory samples	...	...	...	9
(b) Doubtful samples	...	...	...	2
(c) Unsatisfactory samples	...	...	...	8

## THE WARWICKSHIRE CLEAN AIR COUNCIL

Alcester, like the majority of local authorities in Warwickshire, decided to become a member of the newly formed Warwickshire Clean Air Council. The object of this Council is to establish an advisory and technical body with the object of abating the pollution of the atmosphere and of assisting members to implement the Clean Air Act, 1956.

Application has been made for the adoption of the Model Byelaw under the Clean Air Act in order to secure the provision of suitably designed appliances for heating or cooking in new buildings.

# FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 AND 1948

## PART I OF THE ACT

### 1. INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector).

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspection	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	8	2	2	—
(2) Factories no included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	73	42	28	—
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-worker's premises) ... ..	4	4	—	—
TOTAL ... ..	85	48	30	—

### 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ... ..	4	4	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Innaffective drainage of floors (S.6 Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Insufficient ... ..	2	2	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	13	—	—	4	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	2	1	—	—	—
TOTAL ... ..	21	7	—	4	—

## WATER SUPPLIES

The Alcester Rural District Council's comprehensive water scheme has provided the great majority of the inhabitants with a pure and plentiful water supply available to approximately 90 per cent. of the populace as under:—

					East Worcs. W.W. Co.	Coventry Scheme	Stratford R.D.C. Scheme
Alcester	...	...	...	...	2750	—	—
Arrow	...	...	...	...	150	—	—
Aston Cantlow	...	...	...	...	300	—	—
Bidford-on-Avon	...	...	...	...	—	2000	—
Coughton	...	...	...	...	200	—	—
Exhall	...	...	...	...	—	125	25
Great Alne...	...	...	...	...	300	—	—
Haselor	...	...	...	...	200	—	—
Kinwarton	...	...	...	...	40	—	—
Morton Bagot	...	...	...	...	50	—	—
Oldberrow	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Salford Priors	...	...	...	...	—	900	—
Sambourne and Middletown	...	...	...	...	700	—	—
Spennall	...	...	...	...	40	—	—
Studley	...	...	...	...	3750	—	—
Weethley and Bevington	...	...	...	...	25	—	—
Wixford	...	...	...	...	—	125	—
Wilmcote	...	...	...	...	—	—	700

The three main sources of water used during 1957 were :

- (a) The East Worcestershire Waterworks Company's supply from the Bunter Sandstone serving the northern and central areas; this Council being responsible for the distribution of the water.
- (b) The Coventry Corporation supply from the River Severn now serves Bidford-on-Avon and Salford Priors, which Parishes—until last year—relied upon superficial gravel deposits for their water. Alcester Rural District Council distributes the water.
- (c) Stratford-on-Avon Rural District Council supplies are used to serve the village of Wilmcote, by arrangement with Stratford-on-Avon Rural District Council who supply the village in bulk for distribution in Alcester Rural District Council mains.

## PURITY OF EXISTING SUPPLIES

All existing main supplies reach a satisfactory standard of purity. Samples are taken for examination at intervals.

### PLUMBO SOLVENCY

There is little evidence of lead intake from the water supplied in this area, the lowest recorded ph being 6.85.

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

A sewerage and sewage disposal scheme has been prepared for the village of Wilmcote. Sites have been purchased for works and certain intermediate stations in Bidford-on-Avon, Salford Priors and the Alcester area with a view to the installation of major schemes at the first available opportunity.

Improvements have been carried out in the sewage disposal for Dunnington village, where a modern works has been installed.

## NIGHTSOIL COLLECTION AND CESSPOOL EMPTYING

A modern vehicle, staffed by four men, is engaged full time on the collection of nightsoil, free of charge, from nearly 1,000 properties in the district.

A cesspool emptying vehicle, with two men, is on call for the emptying of cesspools at a charge of 25/- per load of up to 800 gallons. This vehicle is also used for cleansing and flushing of sewers and for part of the nightsoil collection work referred to above.

THE RURAL DISTRICT  
of  
SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR

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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

*Chief Public Health Inspector and Surveyor*  
H. C. COOPER, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

*Public Health Inspector*  
D. P. CARPENTER, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

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Area of District (acres)	...	...	...	...	...	53,339
Population (estimated)	...	...	...	...	...	7,970
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	£75,342
Product of Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	...	£301



## VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION ... .. 7,970

### LIVE BIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	77	76	153
Illegitimate...	1	2	3
Crude birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 19.6.			
Corrected birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 21.0 (16.1)*			

### STILLBIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	1	1	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—
Rate per 1,000 related live and stillbirths 12.7 (22.4)*			

### DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
	70	54	124
Crude death rate per 1,000 estimated population 15.6.			
Corrected death rate per 1,000 estimated population 8.6 (11.5)*			

### DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES

Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	Nil
Other Puerperal causes ... ..	Nil

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	2	—	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—
Death rate per 1,000 related births 12.8 (23.0)*			

### DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate ... ..	2	—	2
Illegitimate...	—	—	—

\* Corresponding rates for England and Wales.

## HOUSING

Total number of dwellings in the District at 31st December, 1957	...	3,012
Number of houses built under Housing Act at 31st December, 1957	...	569
Number of Council houses built since the war	... ..	339
Number of houses in private ownership built since the war	... ..	155
Number of new houses built during 1957		
(a) By the Local Authority	... ..	9
(b) By private enterprise	... ..	17
Number of Council houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		54
Number of flats in course of erection at 31st December, 1957	...	16
Number of private houses in course of erection at 31st December, 1957		13
Number of occupied dwellings on ex-War Department sites	... ..	
Number of applicants for Council houses (revised list)	... ..	135
1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR		
1 (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts	... ..	267
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	... ..	660
2 Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation		36
3 Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	... ..	82
2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE		
Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	...	48
3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR		
(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	... ..	Nil
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice	... ..	Nil
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Act		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	... ..	1
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	... ..	1
(c) Proceedings under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936		
(1) Number of houses about which representations have been made		
(2) Action resulting from representations :		
Number of demolition orders made	Formal ...	11
	Informal ...	3
Stay of execution of order granted	Formal ...	3
(a) Number of houses demolished	Formal ...	1
(b) Number of houses demolished as a result of representations in previous years	... ..	7

(c)	Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners to repair	...	...	1
		Informal	...	3
(d)	Number of houses about which undertakings have been accepted from owners not to re-let	...	...	Nil
(e)	Closing Orders under Section 12 Housing Act, 1936			Nil
(f)	Closing Orders under Section 10 (Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1953)	...	...	6
(g)	Action still pending	...	...	2
(d)	Clearance Areas Section 25 Housing Act, 1936			
(a)	Number of representations made	...	...	Nil
(b)	Number of Clearance Areas declared	...	...	Nil
(c)	Number of houses involved	...	...	Nil
(d)	Number of Clearance Orders made	...	...	Nil
(e)	Number of Clearance Orders confirmed	...	...	Nil
(e)	Improvements Grants—Housing Act, 1949			
(a)	Number of applications received (1) owner occupied			24
	(2) tenanted	...		24
(b)	Number of grants approved	...	...	44
(c)	Number of dwellings affected	...	...	44
(d)	Total amount of grants made...	...	...	£11,108

The improvement and modernisation of the earlier sub-standard council houses is proceeding. The Council received Ministry approval to the scheme for improving 207 houses at the rate of 40 per year. The work is being carried out by direct labour and the scheme has been operating for 34 months. So far 118 houses have been completed. The work comprises the provision of hot and cold water systems, bathrooms with internal W.C.'s, Rayburn free-standing cookers, electric washboilers and such new or altered drainage systems as are required. In some cases complete new bathrooms are being built on to the houses. The cost over the whole is being maintained within the estimate of £225 per house.

The authorised improvement of council houses coupled with the authorised improvement of private houses now amounts to 314 houses representing 12.4% of the 3,012 dwellings in the area.

#### HOUSING REPAIRS AND RENTS ACT, 1954 HOUSING SURVEY 1955—5 YEAR PROGRAMME

DETAILS AS AT 30th APRIL, 1958

Various additions have been made to the original list which now totals 188 dwellings. The record of actions taken and results obtained both formally and informally is as follows:

Demolition Orders Made (Outstanding)	...	...	9
Houses Demolished	...	...	16
Houses Closed	...	...	29
Undertakings to Repair (Outstanding)	...	...	12
Houses Repaired	...	...	18
Official Representations Awaiting Decision	...	...	18
Deferred Cases	...	...	21
Houses Outstanding	...	...	65
			<hr/> 188 <hr/>

33 families have been re-housed in council houses and 16 families are now awaiting the completion of houses which have been offered to them.



## RENT ACT, 1956

### CERTIFICATES OF DISREPAIR

Number of applications for Certificates of Disrepair	...	...	...	...	2
Number of undertakings given by owners	...	...	...	...	2

### SANITARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

Inspection of premises—Public Health Act	...	...	...	...	673
Slaughterhouses and Knackers Yards	...	...	...	...	175
Milk and Dairies	...	...	...	...	7
Food premises	...	...	...	...	58
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	9
Petroleum Stores	...	...	...	...	5
New buildings	...	...	...	...	203
Drains tested	...	...	...	...	37
Ditches, drainage matters and sewage works	...	...	...	...	358
Water supplies	...	...	...	...	691
Tips	...	...	...	...	72
Filthy and verminous premises, including disinfection	...	...	...	...	12
Caravan sites	...	...	...	...	9
Infectious diseases	...	...	...	...	4
Rodent control, including and in conjunction with other visits (other than Rodent Operative)	...	...	...	...	666
Miscellaneous visits	...	...	...	...	235

#### NOTICES SERVED

(a) Statutory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
(b) Informal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45

#### RESULT OF NOTICES SERVED

(a) Notices complied with	Statutory	...	...	2
	Informal	...	...	39
(b) Notices outstanding	Informal	...	...	6

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

### (a) DRAINAGE AND SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The completion of the District Water Scheme has tended to speed up the provision of water closets and sanitary accommodation in place of the old earth closets and privy pails. The Ministry, having approved in principle a number of sewerage schemes and authorised some to go out to tender, has led to the encouragement of this type of work.

The number of W.C.'s installed and drainage system provided or extended is:

Private houses	...	...	...	...	...	55
Council houses	...	...	...	...	...	35
						—
Total	...	...				90
						—

### (b) REFUSE COLLECTION

The revised refuse collection system is working very satisfactorily and a collection is made once a fortnight in all the villages in the area. A weekly collection is made in the town of Shipston-on-Stour. Special routing of the vehicles enables a collection to be made at almost all the properties in the district.

The Council have purchased a small grader and bulldozer for use on the tip and it is now possible to keep all refuse covered and controlled tipping to be properly carried out. A new tip will be required by 1960.

Every effort is made to keep down the number of flies in summer time and there is a continual survey and such treatment as is required for the control of rats.

(c) NIGHTSOIL COLLECTIONS                   ...           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...           Nil

(d) CAMPING AND CARAVAN SITES

Number of licensed sites

(a) One site for 2 caravans and one for 3 caravans.

(b) Ten sites for individual caravans.

The above sites and caravans are licensed for permanent occupations, there being no sites licensed solely for week-end or holiday use. Strict control is maintained over the occupation of sites without a licence and several caravans have been moved on after informal action.

## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

### ICE-CREAM PREMISES

(1) Number of premises registered for manufacture by heat treatment	1
(2) Number of premises registered for manufacture by cold mix           ...	2
(3) Number of premises registered for sale of ice-cream           ...           ...	35

The majority of premises registered for sale of ice-cream sell only in pre-packed containers and no cause for complaint has been found with either the premises or the handling of the ice-cream.

### BAKEHOUSES

Number of bakehouses in operation                   ...           ...           ...           ...	3
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One bakehouse has ceased to operate during the year. The premises were not up to the standard required by the Food Hygiene Regulations. Alterations are in progress at one bakehouse as a result of informal action under the Food Hygiene Regulations.

### FISH FRIERS

Number of premises in operation           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...	2
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Both these businesses are ancillary to wet fish shops and are in operation only on certain days of the week. No cause for complaint has been found in the operation of these businesses.

One mobile van used for fish frying commenced operations in the district. The van was not of the standard required by the Food Hygiene Regulations and has ceased to operate.

### SAUSAGE MANUFACTURERS

Number of premises registered under Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, 1955           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...           ...	7
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These premises are all ancillary to butchers' shops and sausage manufacture is in respect of their own retail trade.



INNS, PUBLIC HOUSES AND HOTELS

Total number of licensed premises ... .. 31

As a result of approaches to the various owners concerned, improvements to sanitary accommodation were obtained in three cases, improvements and repairs to comply with Food Regulations in four cases and one public house was completely reorganised and renovated.

Consultations are also in being for the reorganisation and improvement of two further public houses and the closure of two others.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.—SECTION 31.

TUBERCULOUS MILK INVESTIGATIONS—ROUTINE MILK SAMPLES FOR BIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION DURING 1957.

Designation of Milk	Total No. of Samples	No. Positive
Pasteurised... ..	Nil	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ” .. ..	Nil	Nil
“ Tuberculin Tested ” ... ..	8	Nil
Non-designated ... ..	42	Nil

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS OF TUBERCLE-INFECTED MILK SAMPLES DURING 1957

Number of	Cases found on routine sampling in the County.	Cases reported by neighbouring County Authorities.
1. Investigations ... ..		
2. Cows examined ... ..		
3. Milk samples for diagnostic purposes ... ..		Nil Return
4. Cows slaughtered under T.B. Order ... ..		
5. Cows removed from herds during investigations and which may have been infected		

RESTAURANT KITCHENS

Periodic inspections have been carried out for compliance with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

Improvements are in progress at one hotel as a result of a report submitted to the owners, and plans have been received for a construction of a new cafe kitchen to replace one which is inadequate.

MILK AND DAIRIES

Number of registered distributors (a) Within the district ... 6

(b) Outside the district ... 6

The six registered distributors within the district all obtain their milk in bottles from Stratford Dairies, Ltd.

Annual checks are made with neighbouring authorities with regard to the condition of those dairies outside the district where the occupiers are registered distributors in this district.

Number of licenses issued under Milk (Special Designation) Regulations :

(a) Dealer	Tuberculin Tested	...	...	6
(b) Dealer	Pasteurised	...	...	6
(c) Supplementary	Tuberculin Tested	...	...	6
(d) Supplementary	Pasteurised	...	...	6

MEAT INSPECTION

- 1. There are two private slaughterhouses within the district, one of which is newly built and is satisfactory in every way. The majority of the animals slaughtered are for the butchers' own businesses within the district.

As a result of the comparatively small number of animals slaughtered and to the resultant small amount of carcasses condemned, the condemned food is either disposed of by burial or incineration on the Council's refuse tip or by disposal to a knacker's yard by arrangement with the owner of the food.

## 2. CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED :

### APPENDIX

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle excludg. Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known) ... ..	123	7	—	644	128	—
Number inspected	123	7	—	644	128	—
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci: Whole carcasses con- demned ... ..	—	—	—	3	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	24	3	—	42	17	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with dis- ease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci ... ..	19.51	42.86	—	7.00	13.36	—
Tuberculosis only: Whole carcasses con- demned ... ..	1	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	1	—	—	—	1	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuber- culosis ... ..	1.62	—	—	—	0.78	—
Cysticercosis: Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—

### 3. DISEASE AND WEIGHT OF MEAT CONDEMNED :

					lbs.
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	987
Cirrhosis	...	...	...	...	80
Parasites	...	...	...	...	96
Abscesses	...	...	...	...	119
Bruised and broken bones	...	...	...	...	353
Cysts	...	...	...	...	36
Nephritis	...	...	...	...	2
Actinomycosis	...	...	...	...	48
Tetanus	...	...	...	...	15
Emaciation	...	...	...	...	9
Congestion	...	...	...	...	5
Inflammation...	...	...	...	...	4
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#### OTHER CONDEMNED FOODS :

Meat and soup	...	...	...	...	13 tins
Fruit and vegetables...	...	...	...	...	69 tins
Fish	...	...	...	...	7 tins
Milk	...	...	...	...	1 tin
Kippers	...	...	...	...	28 lbs.
Sausages	...	...	...	...	6 lbs.
Meat pies	...	...	...	...	5 lbs.
Corned beef	...	...	...	...	9 lbs.

#### KNACKERS' YARDS :

There is one licensed Knackers' Yard within the district. Extensive repairs and improvements have been carried out as a result of representations to the owner.

### RODENT CONTROL

A full-time Rodent Operative is employed by the Council to carry out the provisions of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, under the direction of the Public Health Inspector.

A low-powered motor cycle with box sidecar is provided for the sole use of the Rodent Operative and combines good mobility with low running costs.

Co-operation with the Pests Department of the Warwickshire A.E.C. has continued and the exchange of information is of great help in the operation of the scheme in respect of agricultural properties.

No charge is made for the treatment of minor infestations at dwelling-houses.

Regular treatments are carried out in sewers, sewage works, refuse tips, etc., owned by the Council.

#### SUMMARY OF VISITS, ETC., BY RODENT OPERATIVE :

##### Number of inspections for survey purposes

1. Dwellings	...	...	...	...	2,771
2. Business premises	...	...	...	...	219
3. Farms	...	...	...	...	592
4. Council property	...	...	...	...	44

##### Number of infestations discovered

1. Dwellings	...	...	...	...	345
2. Business premises	...	...	...	...	18
3. Farms	...	...	...	...	54
4. Council property	...	...	...	...	26

Number of re-visits for treatment purposes 1,790

Number of carcasses picked up ... 475

Number of treatments completed ... 353



# FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 AND 1948

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health in respect of the year 1957 for the Rural District of Shipston-on-Stour in the County of Warwick.

## PART I OF THE ACT

### 1. INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities ... ..	8	2	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ... ..	48	21	1	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ... ..	33	203	—	—
TOTAL ... ..	89	226	1	—

### 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Cases were instituted Referred by H.M. Inspector
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Number of cases in which prosecuted	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Insufficient ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ... ..	1	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ... ..	1	—	—	—	—



## WATER SUPPLIES

The Comprehensive or District Water Scheme is virtually complete and all villages in the area have a full and satisfactory water supply available. The scheme has proved very successful and the majority of owners of properties who had not efficient private supplies have had connections made to the mains and the houses are served with piped supplies.

The supply to the area is now by a spring at Ebrington to serve the town of Shipston-on-Stour, a bulk supply of up to 500,000 gallons per day from the North Cotswold Rural District Council and a metered supply from Stratford-on-Avon Rural District Council to serve the parishes of Butlers Marston, Pillerton Priors and Pillerton Hersey. The new scheme comprises some 70 miles of mains, including some extended by the Council to serve areas of farm land, there are five reservoirs and four booster stations. In addition, there were in existence 30 miles of mains, one reservoir and one booster station.

### QUALITY OF WATER SUPPLIES

Regular samples of the Council's supplies are taken for bacteriological analysis in order to ensure safe supplies to the public. Samples are also taken from private supplies where doubt has arisen as to the fitness of the water for drinking or domestic purposes.

### ANALYSIS OF WATER SUPPLIES

The following table shows the results of the analyses of various samples of water taken during the year for bacteriological analysis:

Supply	Total Number	Satisfactory	Doubtful	Unsatisfactory
Public Piped (untreated and treated) ... ..	26	25	—	1
Private Supplies (untreated)	17	4	4	9
New mains ... ..	43	35	5	3

### ACTION IN RESPECT OF CONTAMINATION

All water supplied under the Comprehensive Water Scheme is chlorinated at source with the exception of that supplied to Shipston-on-Stour from the Ebrington Springs which have maintained a high standard of purity for many years.

Regular samples are taken from all sources of supply.

Equipment is installed at the Ebrington reservoir for chlorination of this water in emergency.

A portable Wallace and Tiernan chlorinator is also available for emergency use.

Owners of private supplies are advised on the steps to be taken to prevent pollution and stocks of chlorine are available to them for use in the cleaning of wells, tanks, etc.

### PLUMBO SOLVENCY

The water supplied in the area is hard in character and no cases of plumbo solvency have been reported. The analysis of the new bulk supplies shows that this water is also hard in character.

## SUPPLIED WITH WATER FROM PUBLIC MAINS

Owing to the transition from old supplies to the New Comprehensive Water Scheme, accurate details are not available owing to the rapid change of circumstances.

The numbers of houses laid on and served by standpipes have, therefore, been grouped and shown as “connections made” to public mains.

Parish	Houses	Esti- mated Popu- lation	Connec- tions Made	Popu- lation	Remarks
Barcheston, Barcheston ...	10	36	5	18	—
Willington ...	26	110	26	110	—
Barton-on-the-Heath ...	40	122	28	84	—
Brailes, Brailes ...	258	751	203	600	—
Winderton ...	20	69	19	66	—
Burmington ...	42	112	38	101	—
Butlers Marston ...	78	208	62	179	—
Cherington... ...	73	235	66	210	—
Compton Wynyates ...	10	47	1	3	Private Supplies
Great Wolford ...	48	162	43	143	—
Halford ...	96	259	80	216	—
Honington ...	64	170	54	142	—
Idlicote ...	31	98	13	39	—
Ilmington ...	207	548	173	460	—
Little Compton ...	104	286	87	246	—
Little Wolford ...	45	148	40	132	—
Long Compton ...	194	539	184	512	—
Oxhill ...	72	179	66	164	—
Pillerton Hersey ...	38	95	28	70	—
Pillerton Priors ...	50	137	33	91	—
Shipston-on-Stour ...	569	1476	569	1476	—
Stretton-on-Fosse ...	114	304	106	290	—
Stourton ...	45	110	38	93	—
Sutton-under-Brailes ...	41	90	22	48	—
Tidmington ...	12	55	12	55	—
Tredington, Armscote ...	45	117	31	81	—
Blackwell ...	49	133	49	133	—
Darlingscote ...	34	100	29	86	—
Newbold ...	111	290	99	263	—
Tredington ...	110	305	104	287	—
Tysoe ...	257	713	218	605	—
Whatcote ...	27	70	24	62	—
Whichford, Ascott ...	22	65	13	39	—
Whichford ...	70	236	56	187	—

## SEWERAGE

The township of Shipston-on-Stour and the village of Honington are the only centres of population in the area which have full sewerage systems. Parts of the villages of Ilmington, Stretton-on-Fosse and Tredington have small treatment systems, but the remaining villages in the area depend upon old village drains and culverts which discharge into streams and ditches. All possible steps are taken to minimise nuisance, but little really effective work can be carried out.

Various Council Housing Estates also have their own small treatment works.

During the past year Part I of a scheme to sewer the village of Ilmington has been completed and the final stage has now been advertised for tender. The complete scheme should, therefore, be commenced and probably well advanced during 1958.

A combined scheme to serve the villages of Brailes, Sutton-under-Brailes, Stourton and Cherington has been prepared by the Consulting Engineers and will be advertised for tender during 1958.

Further schemes for Stretton-on-Fosse, Little Compton, Long Compton and Tysoe have been approved in principle by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

It is expected that drainage effluents generally will increase now that the Comprehensive Water Scheme is nearing completion and it is hoped that the schemes outstanding will receive early final approval so that the installations may be completed without undue delay.

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# BOROUGH OF STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

## CAUSES OF DEATH

	M.	F.
Tuberculosis, Respiratory ... ..	1	—
Tuberculosis, other ... ..	—	—
Syphilitic Disease ... ..	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..	—	—
Other Infectious Diseases ... ..	—	—
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ... ..	8	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Lungs, Bronchus ... ..	6	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ... ..	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ... ..	—	2
Malignant Neoplasm, other organs ... ..	15	9
Leukaemia ... ..	1	—
Diabetes ... ..	—	1
Vascular Lesions of nervous system ... ..	12	12
Coronary Disease, Angina... ..	17	5
Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ..	4	3
Other Heart Diseases ... ..	7	14
Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	4	7
Influenza ... ..	—	2
Pneumonia ... ..	4	2
Bronchitis ... ..	1	—
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... ..	—	—
Ulcer of Stomach, Duodenum ... ..	—	1
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea ... ..	1	—
Nephritis, Nephrosis ... ..	2	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ..	3	—
Congenital Malformations... ..	1	—
Other Defined and Ill-Defined Causes ... ..	6	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ..	2	2
All Other Accidents ... ..	2	2
Suicide ... ..	1	—
Homicide, Operations of War ... ..	—	—
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ..	—	—

STRATFORD-ON-AVON R.D.C.

CAUSES OF DEATH

	M.	F.
Tuberculosis, Respiratory ... ..	—	—
Tuberculosis, other ... ..	—	—
Syphilitic Disease ... ..	—	—
Whooping Cough ... ..	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..	—	—
Other Infectious Diseases ... ..	—	—
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ... ..	1	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Lungs, Bronchus ... ..	6	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ... ..	—	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ... ..	—	2
Malignant Neoplasm, other organs ... ..	11	13
Leukaemia ... ..	—	—
Diabetes ... ..	1	—
Vascular Lesions of nervous system ... ..	15	12
Coronary Disease, Angina... ..	19	5
Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ..	3	2
Other Heart Diseases ... ..	8	12
Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	6	10
Influenza ... ..	—	—
Pneumonia ... ..	5	3
Bronchitis ... ..	3	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... ..	1	—
Ulcer of Stomach, Duodenum ... ..	1	1
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea ... ..	1	—
Nephritis, Nephrosis ... ..	2	—
Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ..	2	—
Congenital Malformations... ..	3	2
Other Defined and Ill-Defined Causes ... ..	9	15
Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ..	3	2
All Other Accidents ... ..	3	2
Suicide ... ..	3	1
Homicide, Operations of War ... ..	—	—
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ..	—	—

# ALCESTER R.D.C.

## CAUSES OF DEATH

	M.	F.
Tuberculosis, Respiratory ... ..	1	—
Tuberculosis, other ... ..	—	—
Syphilitic Disease ... ..	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..	—	—
Other Infectious Diseases ... ..	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ... ..	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lungs, Bronchus ... ..	3	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ... ..	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ... ..	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, other organs ... ..	8	5
Leukaemia ... ..	1	—
Diabetes ... ..	3	3
Vascular Lesions of nervous system ... ..	5	10
Coronary Disease, Angina... ..	12	3
Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ..	1	1
Other Heart Diseases ... ..	17	13
Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	7	5
Influenza ... ..	2	—
Pneumonia ... ..	2	5
Bronchitis ... ..	7	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... ..	—	—
Ulcer of Stomach, Duodenum ... ..	2	—
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea ... ..	—	—
Nephritis, Nephrosis ... ..	—	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ..	—	—
Congenital Malformations... ..	1	2
Other Defined and Ill-Defined Causes ... ..	7	7
Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ..	3	2
All Other Accidents ... ..	3	2
Suicide ... ..	1	—
Homicide, Operations of War ... ..	—	—
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ..	—	—

SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR. R.D.C.

CAUSES OF DEATH

	M.	F.
Tuberculosis, Respiratory ... ..	1	1
Tuberculosis, other ... ..	—	—
Syphilitic Disease ... ..	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..	—	—
Other Infectious Diseases ... ..	—	—
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ... ..	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Lungs, Bronchus ... ..	2	—
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ... ..	—	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ... ..	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, other organs ... ..	7	4
Leukaemia ... ..	—	—
Diabetes ... ..	1	1
Vascular Lesions of nervous system ... ..	6	9
Coronary Disease, Angina... ..	5	2
Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ..	3	—
Other Heart Diseases ... ..	21	14
Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	5	4
Influenza ... ..	—	1
Pneumonia ... ..	2	1
Bronchitis ... ..	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... ..	—	1
Ulcer of Stomach, Duodenum ... ..	1	—
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea ... ..	—	—
Nephritis, Nephrosis ... ..	1	—
Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ..	2	—
Congenital Malformations... ..	—	—
Other Defined and Ill-Defined Causes ... ..	7	6
Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ..	—	—
Suicide ... ..	1	1
Homicide, Operations of War ... ..	—	—
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ..	—	—
All Other Accidents ... ..	2	1



# BOROUGH OF STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS

CLASSIFICATIONS	0-1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Age Unkn.	TOTAL	Ad. to Hops.	Deaths
Scarlet Fever ... ..			1	1	1	2			5		
Whooping Cough ...	1	1	1	3					6		
Measles ... ..	2	52	89	217	2		3		365		
Pneumonia ... ..							8	1	9	1	
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..						4	6		10	10	

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS

CLASSIFICATIONS	0-1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Age Unkn.	TOTAL	Ad. to Hosp.	Deaths
Scarlet Fever ... ..					1				1		
Whooping Cough ...	1	9	9	12	2			3	36		
Measles ... ..	7	66	78	220	10	6	5	1	393		
Pneumonia ... ..							6		6	1	
Poliomyelitis (paralytic) ...				1			2		3	3	
Poliomyelitis (non-paralytic)				1		1	1		3	3	
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..							2	1	3		

ALCESTER R.D.C.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS

CLASSIFICATION	0-1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Age Unkn.	TOTAL	Ad. to Hosp.	Deaths
Scarlet Fever ... ..			3						3		
Whooping Cough ...	4	2	5	20	1				32		
Measles ... ..	8	66	92	197	9	2		2	376		
Pneumonia ... ..			2	1		1	10	1	15	3	
Dysentery ... ..	1	1							2		
Puerperal Pyrexia ...							1		1		
Poliomyelitis (paralytic) ...						1			1	1	
Poliomyelitis (non-paralytic)				1					1	1	
Meningococcal Infection	1								1	1	

## SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR R.D.C.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS

CLASSIFICATION	0-1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Age Unkn.	TOTAL	Ad. to Hops.	Deaths
Scarlet Fever      ...				1					1		
Whooping Cough      ...		2	3	3					8		
Measles      ...      ...	3	26	35	98	15	1	2		180		
Pneumonia      ...      ...				1			4		5		
Poliomyelitis (paralytic)      ...								1	1	1	



# BOROUGH OF STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

## TUBERCULOSIS

		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of cases on Register at 1/1/57	...	39	24	5	5
Number of cases on Register at 31/12/57	...	41	28	4	6

AGE GROUP	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pul.		Non-Pul.		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1	1							
2-5								
6-10								
11-15								
16-20	1			1				
21-25	3	2						
26-35	2	2						
36-45	1	1						
46-55		1						
56-65	1							
66 and upwards	1				3			
Age unknown								
TOTAL	10	6		1	3			

\* Seven of these are not new cases of tuberculosis, but transfers from other areas.

# STRATFORD-ON-AVON R.D.C.

## TUBERCULOSIS

		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of cases on Register at 1/1/57	...	47	41	11	5
Number of cases on Register at 31/12/57	...	51	45	11	4

AGE GROUP	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pul.		Non-Pul.		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1								
2-5		1						
6-10		1						
11-15								
16-20	2							
21-25	4	1						
26-35	4	1			1	1		
36-45	2	4						
46-55	2	1						
56-65	3	1						
66 and upwards	1							
Age unknown								
TOTAL	18	10			1	1		

\*Twelve of these are not new cases of tuberculosis, but transfers from other areas.

# ALCESTER R.D.C.

## TUBERCULOSIS

		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of cases on Register at 1/1/57	...	47	27	4	7
Number of cases on Register at 31/12/57	...	48	26	2	5

AGE GROUP	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pul.		Non-Pul.		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1	1							
2-5								
6-10								
11-15		1						
16-20								
21-25	1	1						
26-35	1				1			
36-45	3	1						
46-55								
56-65	1					1		
66 and upwards								
Age unknown								
TOTAL	7	3			1	1		

\* Three of these are not new cases of tuberculosis, but transfers from other areas.

# SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR R.D.C.

## TUBERCULOSIS

Number of cases on Register at 1/1/57 ...

Number of cases on Register at 31/12/57 ...

Pul.		Non-Pul.	
M.	F.	M.	F.
20	14	2	3
22	13	2	2

AGE GROUP	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pul.		Non-Pul.		Pul.		Non-Pul.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1								
2-5	1							
6-10		2						
11-15			1					
16-20								
21-25								
26-35	2							
36-45	1							
46-55					1	1		
56-65	1			1				
66 and upwards								
Age unknown								
TOTAL	5	2	1	1	1	1		

\* Six of these are not new cases of tuberculosis, but transfers from other areas.



### POST-WAR COUNCIL HOUSES

Council	Number of Houses Built since the war	Post-war Houses per 1,000 Population
Stratford-upon-Avon Borough ... ..	624	41.5
Stratford-on-Avon R.D.C. ... ..	788	34
Alcester R.D.C. ...	646	47.5
Shipston-on-Stour R.D.C. ... ..	339	42.5

### ~~POST WAR COUNCIL HOUSES~~ IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Council	Number of Grants made during 1957	Number of Dwellings affected	Amounts of Grants
Stratford-upon-Avon Borough ... ..	20	23	£5,727
Stratford-on-Avon R.D.C. ... ..	18	18	£3,040
Alcester R.D.C....	8	8	£1,319
Shipston-on-Stour R.D.C. ... ..	44	44	£11,108









